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Small MCHM leak reported in Marmet

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MARMET, W.Va. -- Approximately five to 10 gallons of MCHM leaked out of a chemical manufacturing plant in Marmet Thursday, an emergency official said. None of the chemical escaped the containment area of facility.

The State Department of Environmental Protection was on scene Thursday night of the leak at American Chemical Service in Marmet, said C.W. Sigmon, deputy emergency services manager for Kanawha County.

MCHM leaked onto concrete while employees replaced uncertified tanks for better-certified ones, Sigmon said.

Chesapeake Volunteer Fire Chief T.J. Johnson checked out the leak early Thursday evening and reported back to Sigmon. Johnson saw DEP officials vacuuming the chemical off the concrete, he said.

"There's no downstream water intakes for drinking water until you get to Huntington," Sigmon said.

He does not expect any problems, he said.

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OSC Melissa Linden reported that the focus for today's operations is preparing for the forecasted heavy rain. If time allows, the contractor will begin to excavate around the east containment wall at the sump area. Water pumping operations continued in the sump that contains the now plugged culvert pipe, in the interceptor trench, and in the loading dock area, which leads to the oil/water separator. The intercept trench was pumped every half hour yesterday, removing approximately 800 gallons per pumping. The facility monitors the trench 24-hours a day.

The facility and their consultant are meeting with the Charleston Waste Water Treatment Plant

(WWTP) to discuss transferring the waste water, currently stored on-site, to the WWTP.

The WVDEP noted some soft boom floating down the river this morning. WVDEP advised the facility that they need to check the boom more frequently.

The facility attempted to ship a load of water from Poca Blending Facility to Waste Management DSI in Hurricane, WV. When they were loading, they were informed that the WVDEP had halted their approval of the operation. The WVDEP representative on-site has stated that he will look into this. No shipments will occur today.